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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

M.S. Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Examiner:

In response to the Office Action dated March 1, 2006, please amend the above-referenced patent application ("subject application") as follows:

- (1) Amendments to the Claims are reflected in a listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.
- (2) Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.